

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) An ink-storing member for a writing instrument, the ink-storing member which stores an ink for the [[a]] writing instrument, wherein the above ink-storing member for a writing instrument comprises a multilayer structure comprising an organic high molecular compound layer constituted of an organic high molecular compound and an inorganic compound layer constituted of an inorganic compound layer, the ink-storing member having a parallel light transmittance of 50 % or more, wherein the inorganic compound layer is comprised of inorganic compounds selected from the group consisting of SiO, SiO₂, Al₂O₃, CaF₂, SnO₂, CeF₃, MgO, ZnO, TiO₂, MgAlO₄, In₂O₃, SrCu₂O₂, CuInO₂, CuInSe₂ and ITO.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Currently Amended) The ink-storing member for a writing instrument as described in claim 1 [[2]], wherein the ink-storing member for a writing instrument has an oxygen permeability of 10 cc/m²·Day·atm or less at 24°C and 65 %RH and a steam permeability of 10 g/m²·Day·atm or less at 40°C and 90 %RH.

5. (Currently Amended) The ink-storing member ~~for a writing instrument~~ as described in claim 1 ~~[[2]]~~, wherein the ink-storing member for a writing instrument ~~is obtained by sticking on~~ comprises a molded article comprising an organic high molecular compound, a multilayer film, an inorganic compound layer, and an organic high molecular film, the [[a]] multilayer film comprising the ~~obtained by coating an~~ inorganic compound layer coated on one face of the [[an]] organic high molecular film by any one method of a deposition method, a sputtering method, an ion plating method, a plasma method and a chemical vapor deposition method and coating an adhesive layer on the other face.

6. (Previously Presented) The ink-storing member for a writing instrument as described in claim 1, wherein the ink-storing member for a writing instrument is an ink-storing vessel or an ink-storing tube for a writing instrument.

7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) The ink-storing member for a writing instrument as described in claim 4, wherein the ink-storing member for a writing instrument is an ink-storing vessel or an ink-storing tube for a writing instrument.

10. (Previously Presented) The ink-storing member for a writing instrument as described in claim 5, wherein the ink-storing member for a writing instrument is an ink-storing vessel or an ink-storing tube for a writing instrument.